

# STAR WARS OBI-WAN & ANAKIN



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# Obi-Wan and Anakin

## Part III

*Young Anakin Skywalker is having doubts about his path. Having joined the peacekeeping Jedi Order as a boy, he now begins to question his role in the galaxy.*

*Anakin has accompanied his master, Jedi Knight Obi-Wan Kenobi, on a mission to Carnelion IV in response to a call for Jedi assistance. Crash-landing, they discover the ruins of an advanced civilization, abandoned beneath a sickly cloud cover with primitive survivors living on mountain peaks above.*

*A battle between two airships ensues with one plummeting towards the surface. Obi-Wan manages to save a pair of women from the downed ship and a man, Grecker, from the other. With their survival at stake, the war between the survivors is put aside in order to rebuild a ship and retreat to safety....*

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# Carnelion IV. Above the Celadon Sea.



YOU SAID  
YOU CAUGHT A  
DISTRESS SIGNAL, EH?  
WHERE'D IT COME  
FROM?

DON'T CONCERN  
YOURSELF, GRECKER--WE'RE  
HEADED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.  
BUT IF YOU NEED TO DROP US  
SOMEWHERE BEFORE WE REACH OUR  
DESTINATION, ANAKIN AND I  
CAN MAKE OUR WAY.

YOU'VE  
ALREADY DONE US  
A GREAT FAVOR BY  
BRINGING US  
THIS FAR.



NO. WE'LL GET YOU THERE.  
THIS PLANET'S BARELY SAFE  
FOR US... MUCH LESS  
OFF-WORLDEERS.

I APPRECIATE  
IT VERY MUCH, MOTHER  
PRAN. AND I MUST  
ADMIT--I'M PLEASED TO  
SEE YOU TWO SO UNIFIED  
IN PURPOSE.

NOT SO  
LONG AGO  
YOU WERE AT EACH  
OTHER'S  
THROATS.

OPEN AND CLOSED  
CAN WORK TOGETHER.  
IF THERE IS NO  
OTHER CH--



DAMMIT.  
GRECKER.  
LOOK.



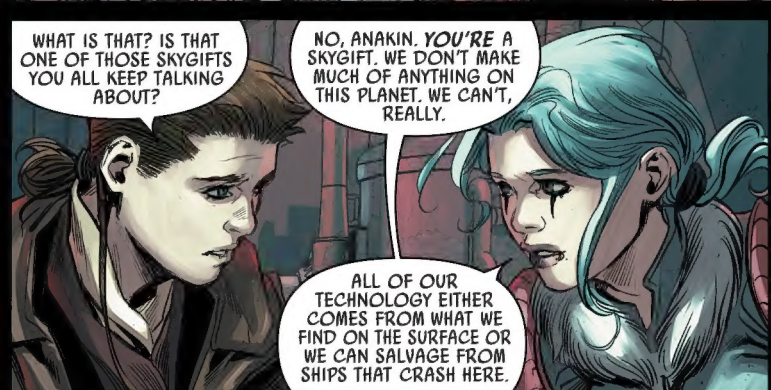
YEAH.





STAY BACK  
THERE, KOLARA.  
IT'S NOT  
SAFE.

YES,  
MOTHER  
PRAN.



WHAT IS THAT? IS THAT  
ONE OF THOSE SKYGIFTS  
YOU ALL KEEP TALKING  
ABOUT?

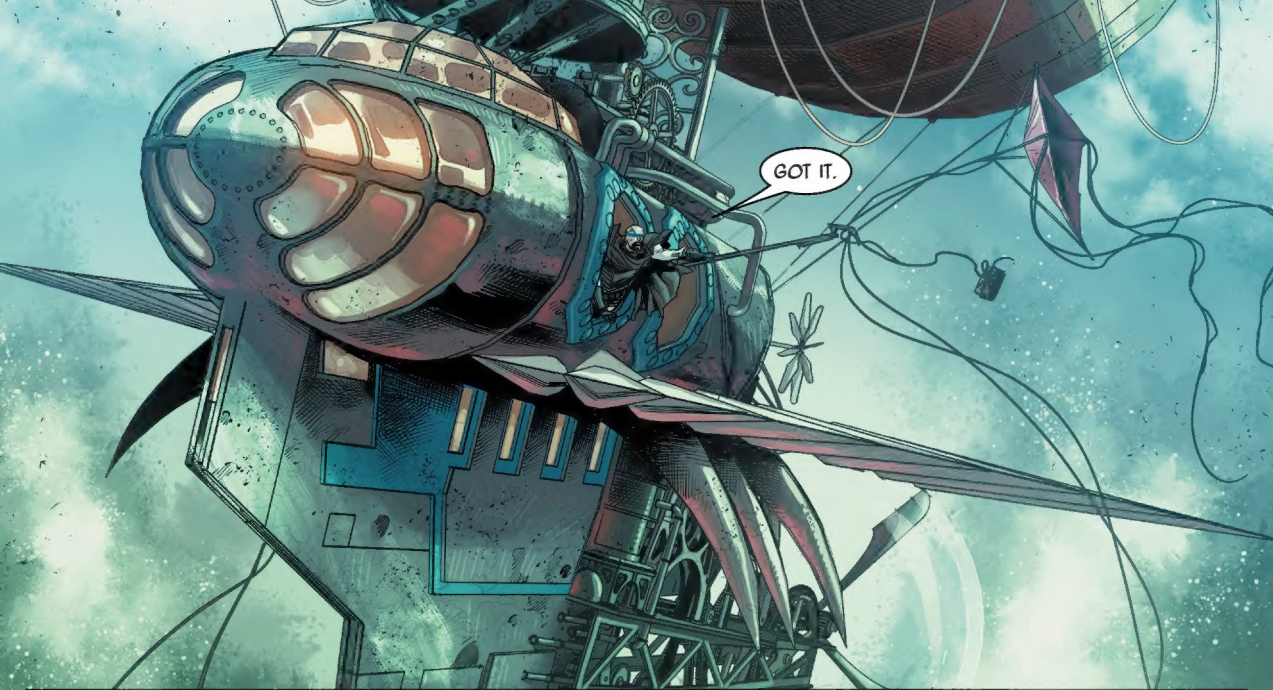
NO, ANAKIN. YOU'RE A  
SKYGIFT. WE DON'T MAKE  
MUCH OF ANYTHING ON  
THIS PLANET. WE CAN'T,  
REALLY.

ALL OF OUR  
TECHNOLOGY EITHER  
COMES FROM WHAT WE  
FIND ON THE SURFACE OR  
WE CAN SALVAGE FROM  
SHIPS THAT CRASH HERE.



WE  
CALL THOSE  
SKYGIFTS.  
LIKE YOU.





GOT IT.



WHAT IS THAT? IF IT'S DANGEROUS, SHOULD YOU HAVE BROUGHT IT ABOARD?

HNH.



THERE'S MORE THAN ONE KIND OF DANGER.

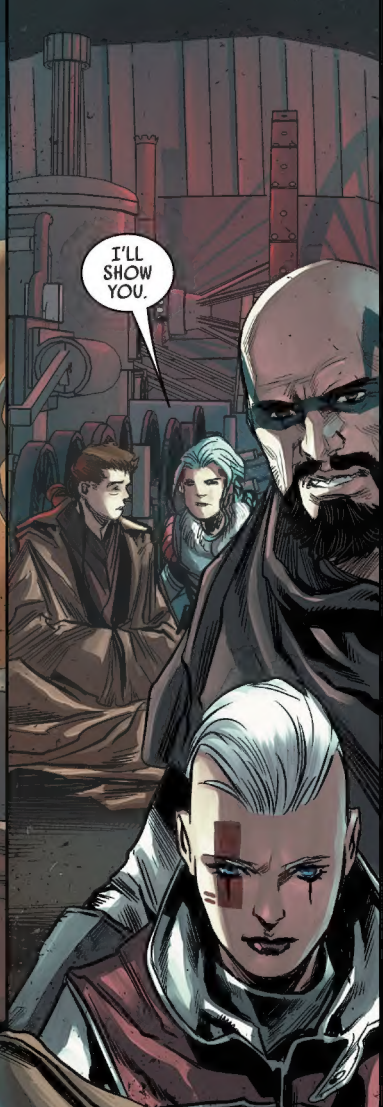


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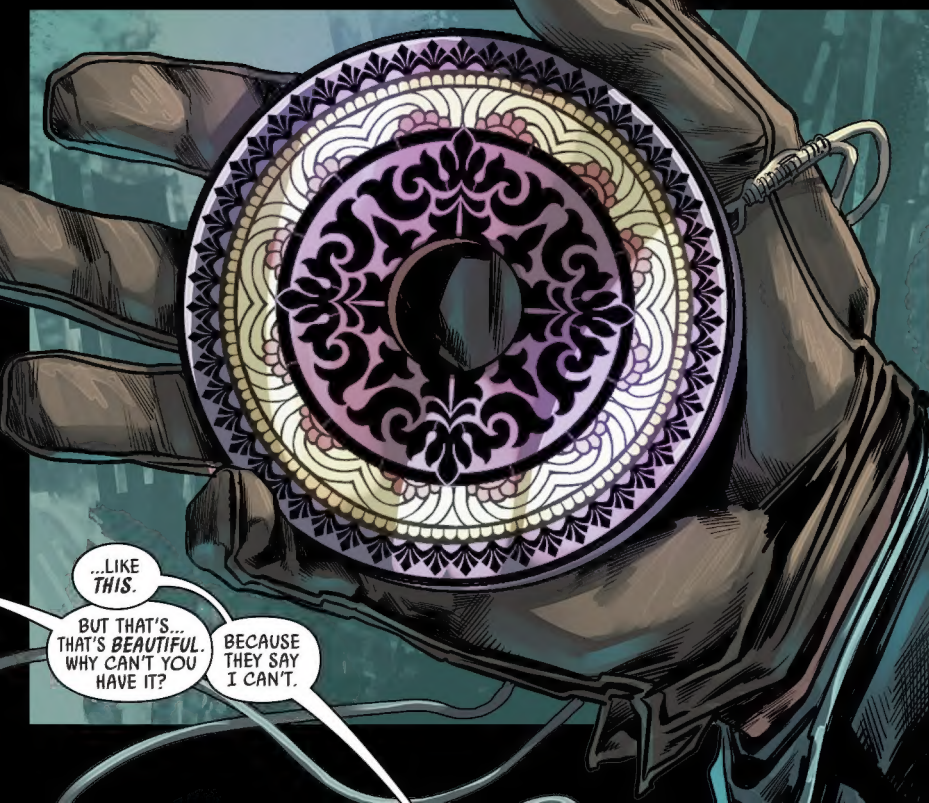
WHAT WAS THAT? WHY WERE THEY SO WORRIED ABOUT IT?



I'LL SHOW YOU.



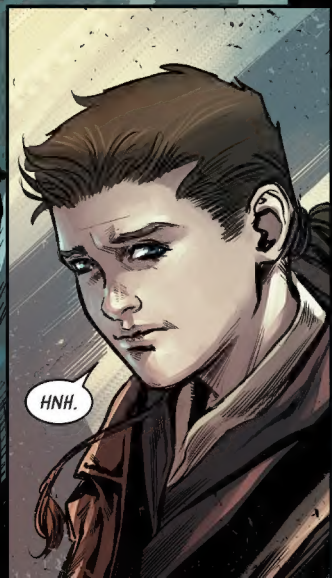
PROBABLY SOMETHING...



...LIKE THIS.

BUT THAT'S... THAT'S BEAUTIFUL. WHY CAN'T YOU HAVE IT?

BECAUSE THEY SAY I CAN'T.



HNH.



Club Kasakar.  
Coruscant.  
Before.



KEEP YOUR  
HOOD UP, ANAKIN.  
IT WOULD NOT DO FOR  
EITHER OF US TO BE  
RECOGNIZED IN  
THIS PLACE.

OF COURSE,  
CHANCELL--

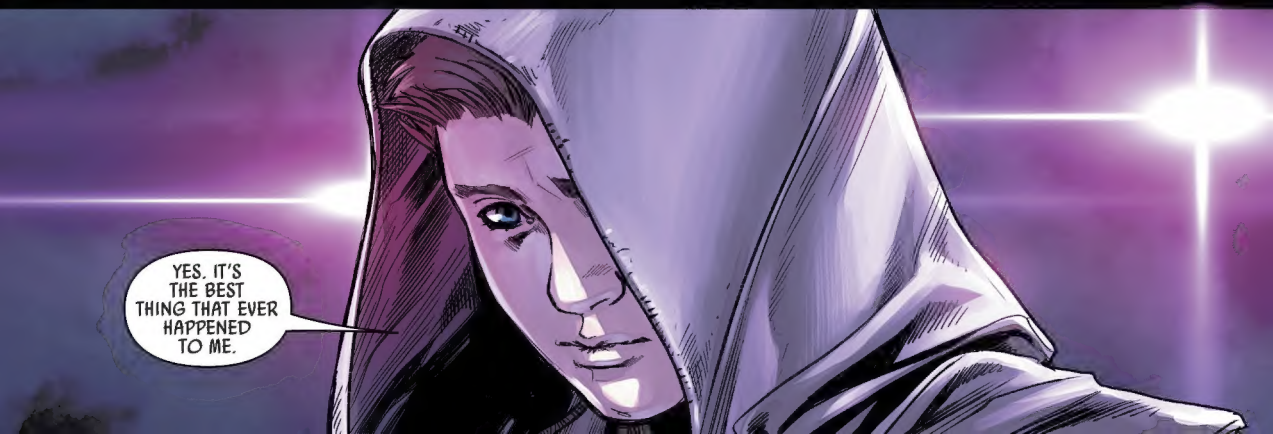
I MEAN,  
OF COURSE,  
SIR.



THANK YOU  
FOR TAKING THE  
TIME TO ACCOMPANY  
ME TODAY, ANAKIN. I  
KNOW YOUR JEDI  
TRAINING KEEPS  
YOU VERY BUSY.

I MUST SAY,  
IN SOME WAYS  
I ENVY YOU PADAWANS.  
TRAINING IN THE TEMPLE  
AS YOU DO--YOUR  
ENTIRE LIFE DECIDED  
FOREVER AT SUCH A  
YOUNG AGE.

IT MUST  
SIMPLIFY THINGS.  
YOU HAVE NO  
TROUBLING CHOICES  
TO MAKE. NOT LIKE ME--  
MY ENTIRE LIFE  
IS DIFFICULT  
DECISIONS!



YES. IT'S  
THE BEST  
THING THAT EVER  
HAPPENED  
TO ME.





JUST  
LOOK AT THIS  
PLACE.

ANYTHING  
CAN BE PROCURED  
HERE. ABSOLUTELY  
ANYTHING.

LIVES ARE  
BOUGHT AND SOLD  
IN THIS CLUB EVERY  
SINGLE DAY. IT'S  
REVOLTING.



OH, I AM SO SORRY. I SHOULD  
NEVER HAVE MENTIONED...THAT IS  
TO SAY, I KNOW WHERE YOU COME  
FROM, ANAKIN, AND I HOPE I DID  
NOT RAISE OLD WOUNDS BY  
MENTIONING SLAVERY.

IT'S...IT'S  
FINE, CHANCELLOR.  
I DON'T EVEN THINK  
ABOUT IT THAT MUCH  
ANMORE.

NOW, YOU  
AND I **BOTH** KNOW  
THAT ISN'T TRUE.



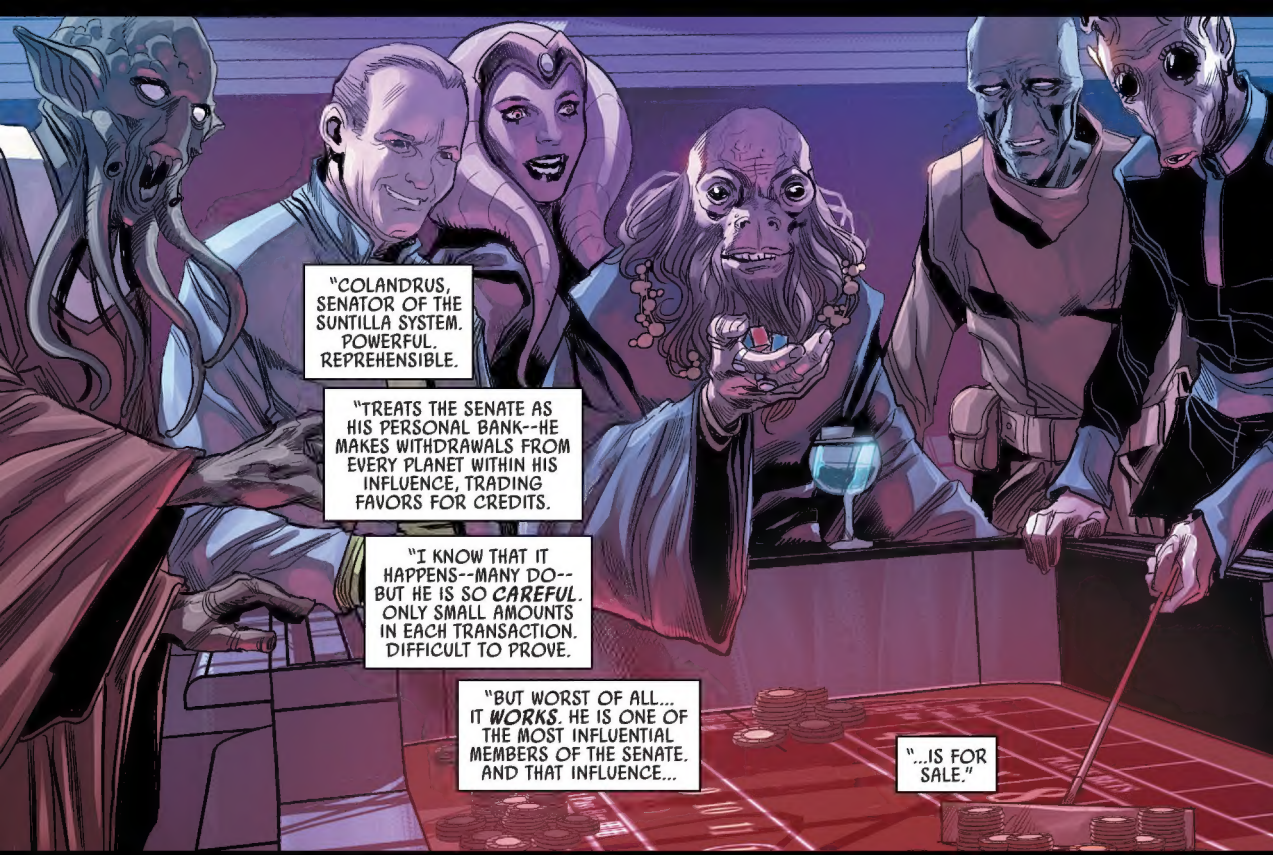
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. IF THIS PLACE IS  
SO AWFUL, WHY DOESN'T THE SENATE  
DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?



THE  
**BUREAUCRATS?**  
PLEASE, MY YOUNG  
FRIEND.

THIS PLACE  
IS FULL OF  
SENATORS.





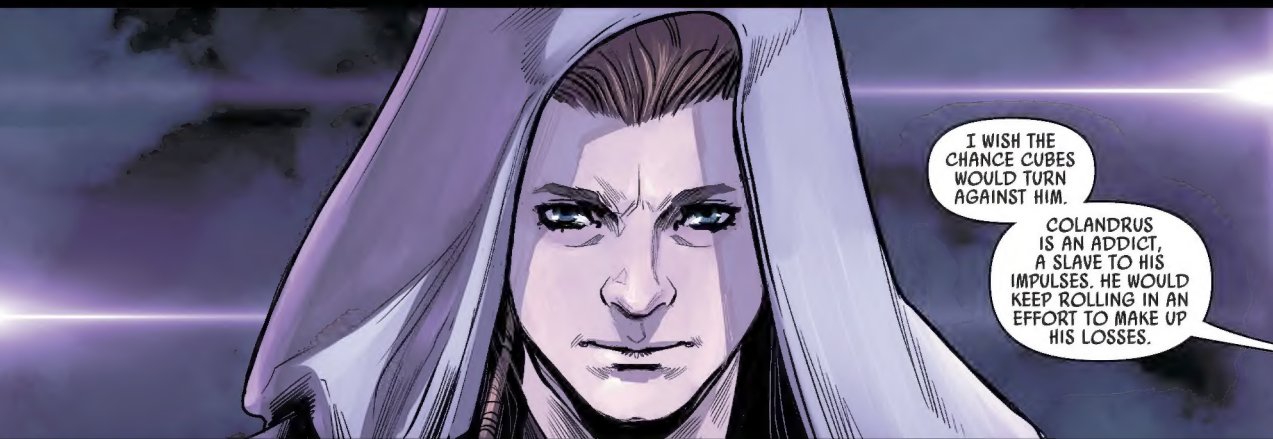
"COLANDRUS,  
SENATOR OF THE  
SUNTILLA SYSTEM.  
POWERFUL.  
REPREHENSIBLE.

"TREATS THE SENATE AS  
HIS PERSONAL BANK--HE  
MAKES WITHDRAWALS FROM  
EVERY PLANET WITHIN HIS  
INFLUENCE, TRADING  
FAVORS FOR CREDITS.

"I KNOW THAT IT  
HAPPENS--MANY DO--  
BUT HE IS SO *CAREFUL*.  
ONLY SMALL AMOUNTS  
IN EACH TRANSACTION.  
DIFFICULT TO PROVE.

"BUT WORST OF ALL...  
IT *WORKS*. HE IS ONE OF  
THE MOST INFLUENTIAL  
MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.  
AND THAT INFLUENCE...

"...IS FOR  
SALE."



I WISH THE  
CHANCE CUBES  
WOULD TURN  
AGAINST HIM.

COLANDRUS  
IS AN ADDICT,  
A SLAVE TO HIS  
IMPULSES. HE WOULD  
KEEP ROLLING IN AN  
EFFORT TO MAKE UP  
HIS LOSSES.



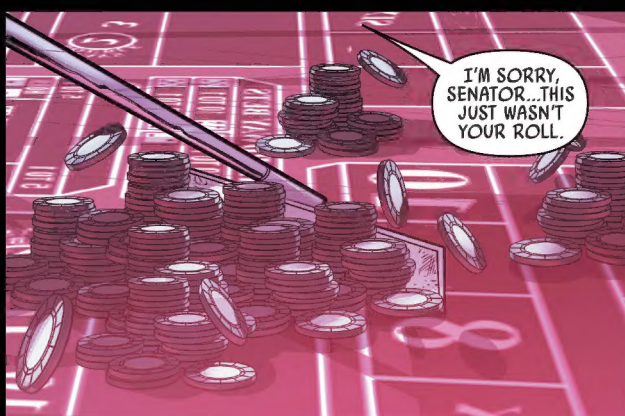
"AND IF HIS  
LOSSES WERE LARGE  
ENOUGH, HIS GREED  
WOULD END HIM.

"HE WOULD SEEK EVER  
LARGER BRIBES...IT WOULD  
LEAVE A *TRAIL*. MY AGENTS  
WOULD FINALLY BE ABLE TO  
PROVE HIS CORRUPTION.

"WE COULD *REMOVE*  
HIM. RETURN *JUSTICE*  
TO THE SENATE.

"BUT ALAS,  
I FEAR THAT  
IS JUST A  
FANTASY."

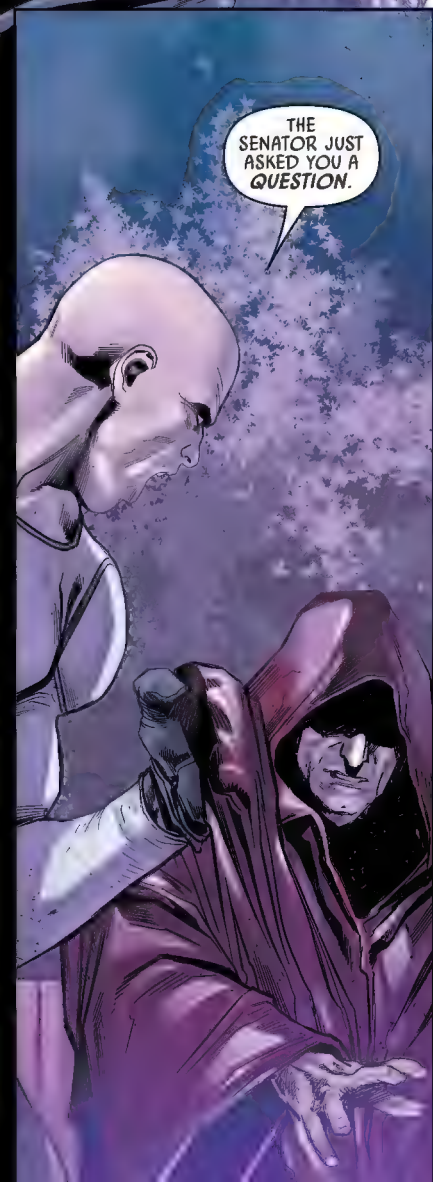








WHAT,  
EXACTLY, DO  
YOU THINK IS  
SO FUNNY?



THE  
SENATOR JUST  
ASKED YOU A  
QUESTION.



NO,  
ANAKIN. NOT  
HERE.



MY SON  
TOLD ME A JOKE. I  
LAUGHED. NOTHING  
MORE.  
NOW, IF YOU  
WILL RELEASE ME,  
WE ARE DONE HERE.  
ACTUALLY, WE WERE  
JUST ABOUT TO  
LEAVE.



SEE  
THAT YOU  
DO.





MAY  
I ASK YOU A  
QUESTION,  
ANAKIN?

OF COURSE,  
CHANCELLOR.  
ANYTHING.



YOUR JEDI ABILITIES  
ALLOW YOU TO MOVE  
OBJECTS THROUGH THE  
FORCE, DO THEY NOT?

YES. ACTUALLY,  
I'M VERY GOOD AT IT.  
BETTER THAN ANY OF THE  
OTHER PADAWANS MY AGE...  
AND MOST OF THE OLDER  
ONES, TOO.

COULD  
THESE ABILITIES  
BE USED TO  
MOVE, PERHAPS...  
A CHANCE  
CUBE?





Now.

THE BOY.  
HE YOUR  
SON?

NO. HE IS  
MY PADAWAN.  
SOMETHING BETWEEN  
A STUDENT AND AN  
APPRENTICE.

HE'S A  
**STUDENT?** SURE  
HANDLED US EASILY  
ENOUGH, DOWN ON THAT  
MOUNTAIN. NOT TO MENTION  
THE CORPSE-LEECHES.  
TOUGH KID.

YOU  
HAVE NO  
IDEA.

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?

JUST MAKING  
AN ADJUSTMENT. MY  
LIGHTSABER FELT A LITTLE  
OFF LAST TIME I USED IT.  
I'M PROBABLY THE ONLY  
ONE WHO'D EVER  
NOTICE.

OR MAYBE  
YOU JUST  
LIKE FIXING  
THINGS?

MAYBE.

IS THAT WHAT YOU TWO DO?  
GO TO DIFFERENT PLACES  
AND FIX THINGS?

SORT OF. THE JEDI ARE  
POWERFUL, BUT THERE  
AREN'T THAT MANY OF THEM,  
AND THE GALAXY IS A  
BIG PLACE.

SOMETIMES  
THEY CAN'T HELP  
EVERYWHERE THEY  
SHOULD.

CAN'T, OR  
WON'T?

HOW'D  
YOU GET  
TO BE HIS  
TEACHER?

MY OWN  
MASTER ASKED  
ME TO TRAIN HIM.  
HE WAS DYING.  
I COULD NOT  
REFUSE.





ANAKIN IS...  
IMPORTANT. HE HAS  
EXTRAORDINARY POTENTIAL,  
BOTH WITH RESPECT TO HIS  
OWN ABILITIES AND IN HIS  
ABILITY TO AFFECT THE  
BALANCE OF GOOD  
AND EVIL IN THE  
UNIVERSE.

HE  
REQUIRES  
GUIDANCE.  
I SWORE TO  
PROVIDE  
IT.

YOU  
DON'T SOUND  
ALL THAT HAPPY  
ABOUT IT.



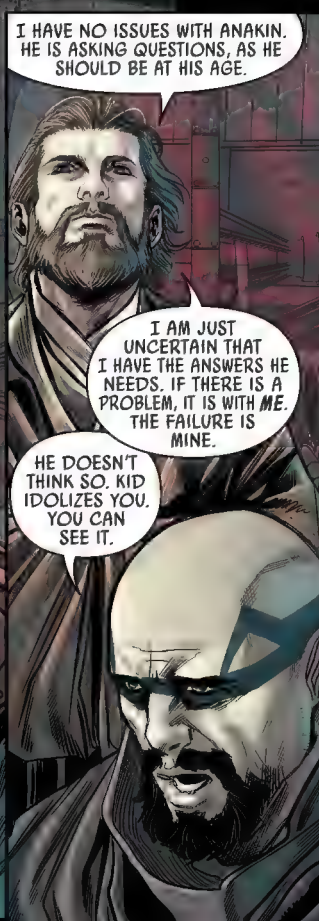
THERE.  
THAT SHOULD  
DO IT.

YOU KNOW,  
ANAKIN, IF YOU  
LIKE FIXING STUFF...  
THIS PLANET IS FULL  
OF BROKEN  
THINGS.

YEAH?  
LIKE  
WHAT?



MOTHER PRAN.  
CAN YOU COME  
HERE? I WANT TO  
SHOW YOU  
SOMETHING.



I HAVE NO ISSUES WITH ANAKIN.  
HE IS ASKING QUESTIONS, AS HE  
SHOULD BE AT HIS AGE.

I AM JUST  
UNCERTAIN THAT  
I HAVE THE ANSWERS HE  
NEEDS. IF THERE IS A  
PROBLEM, IT IS WITH ME.  
THE FAILURE IS  
MINE.

HE DOESN'T  
THINK SO. KID  
IDOLIZES YOU.  
YOU CAN  
SEE IT.

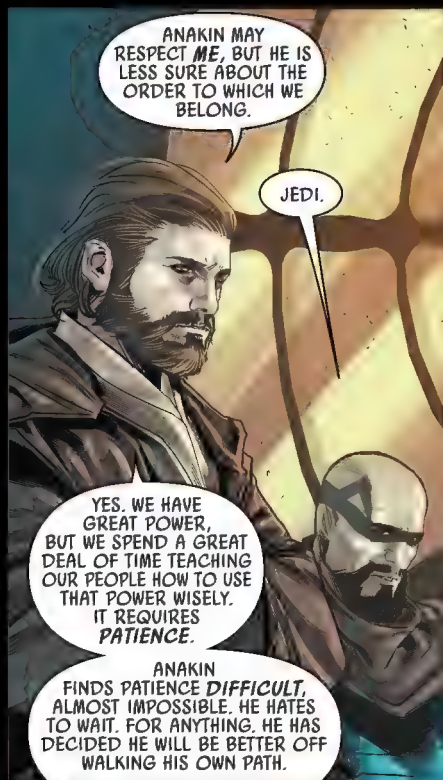




WHAT IS IT, KOLARA?

ANAKIN KNOWS HOW TO FIX THINGS. MACHINES. OLD-TIME MACHINES. I THOUGHT, MAYBE...

AH... DOES HE NOW?

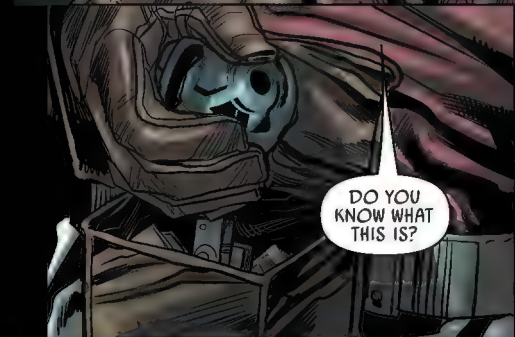


ANAKIN MAY RESPECT ME, BUT HE IS LESS SURE ABOUT THE ORDER TO WHICH WE BELONG.

JEDI.

YES. WE HAVE GREAT POWER, BUT WE SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME TEACHING OUR PEOPLE HOW TO USE THAT POWER WISELY. IT REQUIRES PATIENCE.

ANAKIN FINDS PATIENCE DIFFICULT. ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE. HE HATES TO WAIT. FOR ANYTHING. HE HAS DECIDED HE WILL BE BETTER OFF WALKING HIS OWN PATH.



DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?



LOOKS LIKE PRETTY OLD TECH, BUT IT'S LIKE A CENTRAL PROCESSOR FOR A DROID OR MECH. LIKE ITS BRAIN. BROKEN, THOUGH.

I KNOW. CAN YOU FIX IT?

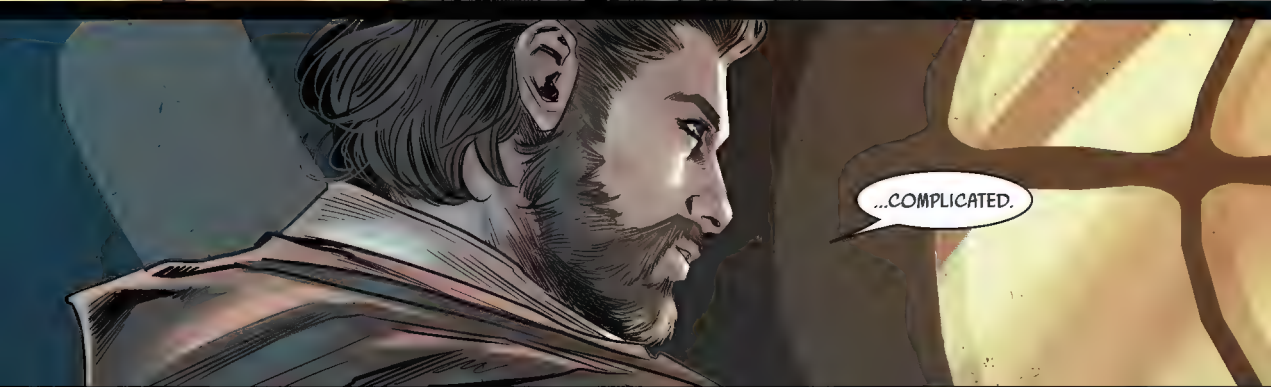
MAYBE. I'LL TRY.



YOU GONNA LET HIM GO? WHAT WOULD HE DO?

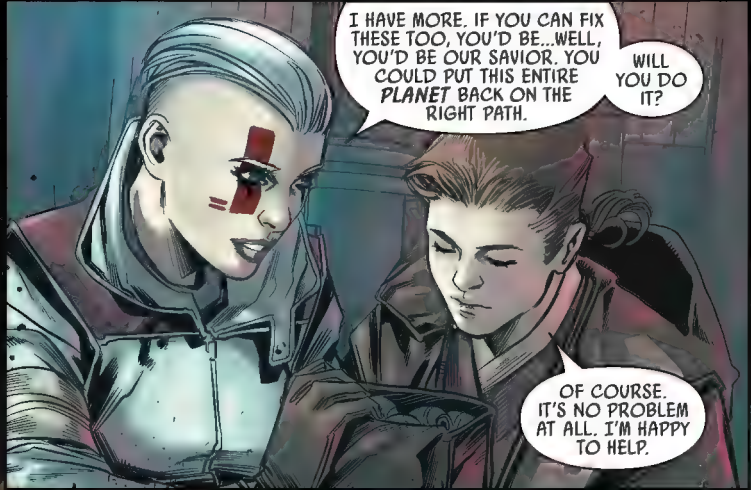
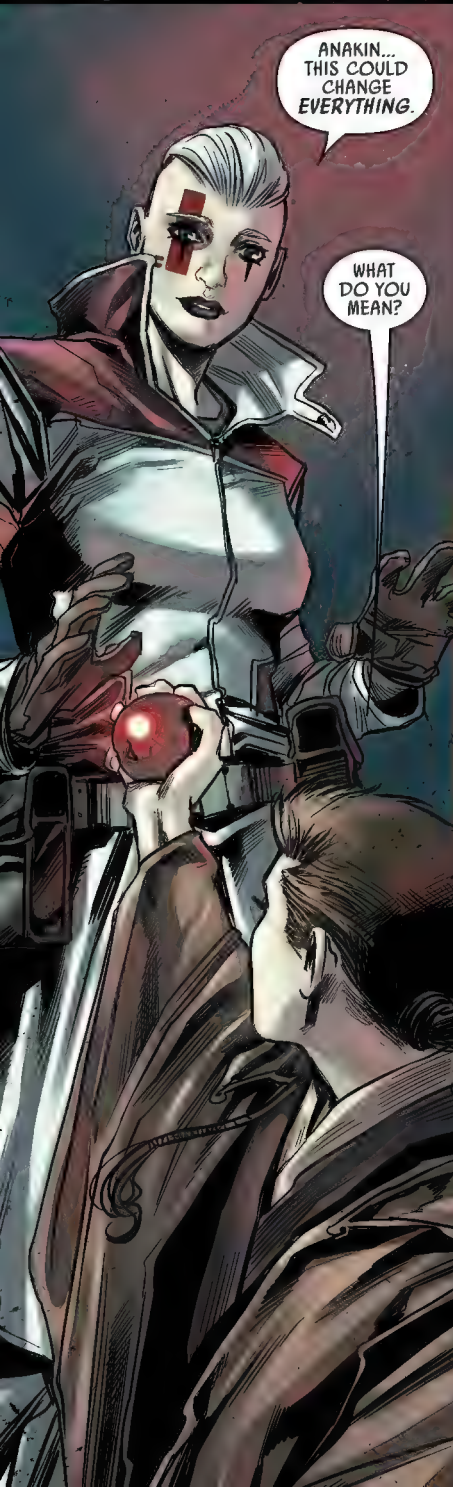
PEOPLE GENERALLY DO NOT LEAVE THE ORDER. I AM ATTEMPTING TO CONVINCE ANAKIN TO CHANGE HIS MIND.

IF I FAIL HIM, THINGS WILL BECOME...

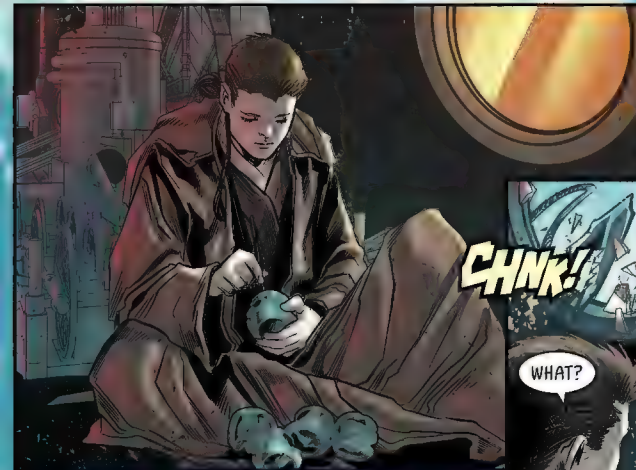


...COMPLICATED.









CHNK!

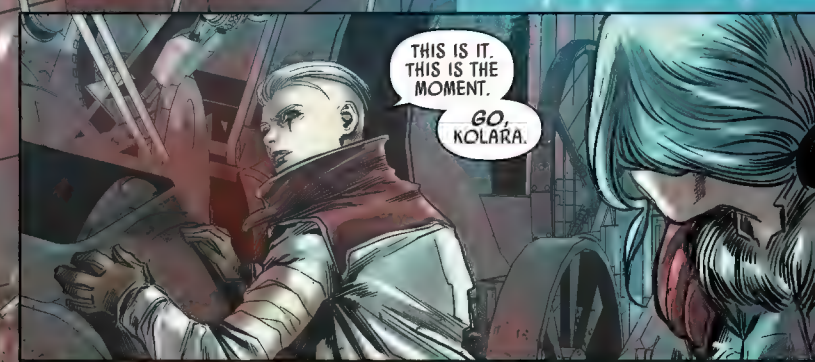
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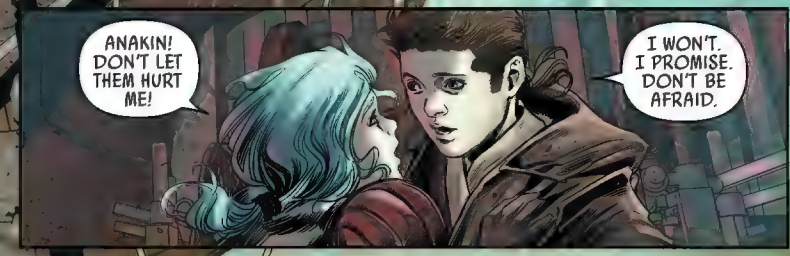
OH NO. THIS IS BAD.  
WHAT IS IT? WHAT'S HAPPENING?  
WE'RE UNDER ATTACK. THEY'LL BE UP HERE ANY SECOND.

WHO WILL BE UP HERE?

"FISHERS."



THIS IS IT. THIS IS THE MOMENT.  
GO, KOLARA.



ANAKIN! DON'T LET THEM HURT ME!

I WON'T. I PROMISE. DON'T BE AFRAID.



WE HAVE TO GET AWAY. IF THEY HOLD US HERE, MORE WILL JUST KEEP COMING UP UNTIL THEY SWARM US.

UNDERSTOOD.



ANAKIN! WE NEED TO FREE THE SHIP. CUT THE LINES!

I'LL DO IT, MASTER.





JUST STAY  
AWAY FROM THE  
WINDOWS, KOLARA.  
OBI-WAN AND  
I WILL--



WHAT? MY  
LIGHTSABER...



WHAT...  
WHAT ARE YOU  
DOING?

I'M SORRY,  
ANAKIN.

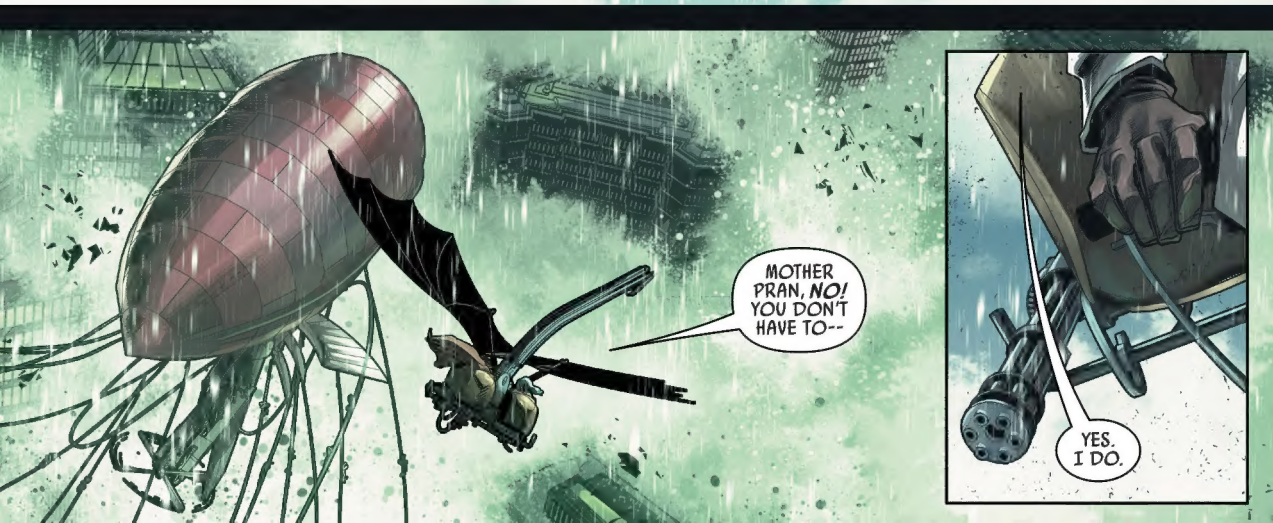
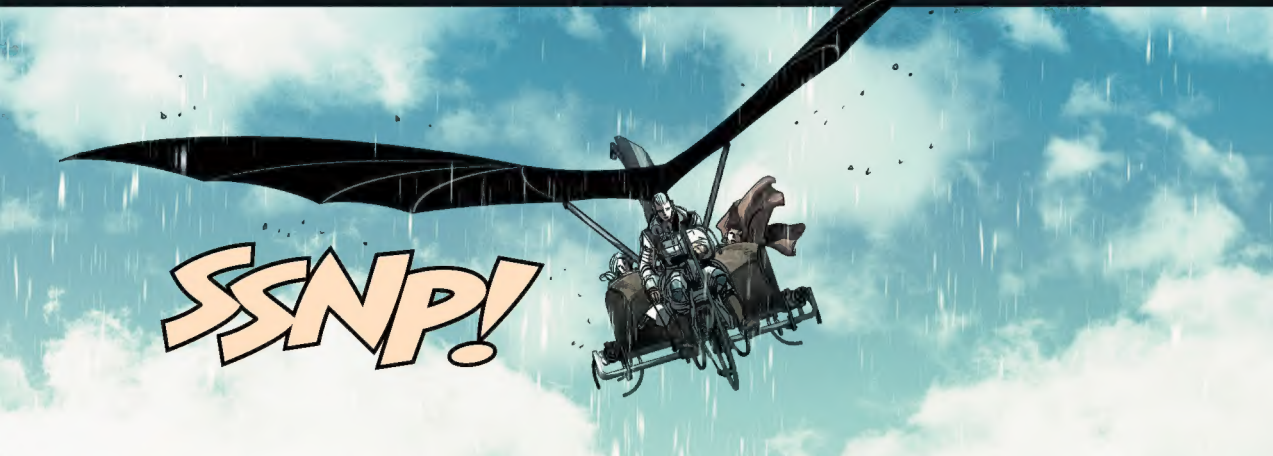


NO!













# INTROOON!

To be  
continued!



# OBI-WAN & ANAKIN

A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away is a lot easier to get to than you think – and we want to hear from you! Write us at [StarWars@Marvel.com](mailto:StarWars@Marvel.com) if you want to make it onto a future letters page. Don't forget to mark the letter "OK TO PRINT."

Why, hello there, fellow Padawans! You're in luck this month – the Master of the Force, Obi-Wan & Anakin writer Charles Soule himself, has joined us to answer YOUR letters! Here's what you guys had to say on the story so far...

Hello fantastic Marvel Star Wars team!

I thoroughly enjoyed the first issue of *Obi-Wan & Anakin*. As I was reading, I noticed on the opening page a curious quote: "For a thousand years the mystic Jedi Order has served as peacekeeper of the Republic..."

Wasn't the last time that there was a great war in the galaxy at the hands of Darth Bane a thousand years before Obi-Wan & Anakin? Is there anything with Darth Bane in the works at the studio or creative office? One of the greatest Sith Lords of all time surely deserves his own comic series. Please let us know if we shall see Darth Bane soon.

May the Force be with you,  
Davis R.

Ah, yes, the dastardly Darth Bane, creator of the Rule of Two for the Sith Order. If it were up to me, I would write a hundred issues about the Sith-Jedi wars from the distant past. Unfortunately, and despite my insistent phone calls, emails, texts, time spent picketing the Marvel offices, and repeated applications of the Jedi mind trick, for some reason it is still not yet up to me. Perhaps once I have completed my training.

Hil I just read the first issue and I think it was bloody amazing!! You did a great job! Now, I was wondering if you by any chance would have "the business on Cato Neimoidia" in future issues.

Jacob

I love those little mentions that give depth to the relationship between Obi-Wan and Anakin – things like that pesky nest of gundarks. For the moment, we're focusing on telling a new adventure in this comic, but we will fill in a few blanks about the history of a master and Padawan...and we might not even be referring to Obi-Wan there, as you'll have already seen if you're reading this issue!

Hi Team,

Just read *Obi-Wan & Anakin* #1. I was

eager to pick it up because I enjoyed the prequels – especially Ewan McGregor as Obi-Wan and Hayden Christensen as Anakin.

I enjoyed it, especially the art. Wasn't crazy about the line where Anakin says something about leaving the Jedi Order, as I believe Anakin's arrogance would make him want to be the BEST Jedi, certainly not a quitter. But we'll see how it goes before I judge it. All I ask is since this takes place in the prequel era... PLEASE NO GUNGANS!!

Josh K.  
New Brunswick, Canada

Man, if you didn't like that one line, you are going to HATE issues 4 and 5. It's all Gungans. Anakin and Obi-Wan are revealed to have been secret Gungans the whole time. Mace Windu, too. All the Gonk Droids. The Sarlacc. Starkiller Base. Captain Tarpals is actually Darth Bane. It's a Gungan party, and we're all invited. It's the Gungans' world, and we're all just living in it. GUNGANS!

Hi Team! I've just finished the first issue of *Obi-Wan & Anakin*, and I thought it was terrific! I thought the artwork was great. I love frozen planets due to all the shades of blue. Is this going to be an ongoing series? Story-wise, I'm looking forward to reading about Anakin's training, and about what Obi-Wan may or may not have done right. The first student is always an experiment, and Anakin might not exactly be the Padawan Obi-Wan would have chosen, if it had not been his master's dying wish. I also can't wait to read more about the Anakin/Palpatine relationship. I loved how Palpatine politely enforced his authority over Mace Windu. If I were Mace I'd be a tad suspicious that the Chancellor was so insistent on his request. Also, props to including the Duros Padawan. I think that was the first Duros Jedi I've ever seen.

Until next issue,  
Matt in Ohio

This will be a five-issue mini, but I have a ton of stories I'd love to tell about these guys, so who knows? As the man himself says: "Always in motion, the future is." Glad you're enjoying the dynamic between Obi-Wan and Anakin – the exploration of their relationship was

one of the things I was most excited to write when I was working on the series.

To Charles Soule and the creative team, I have to say, this was a stellar debut issue. The artwork is beautiful to look at; I love it simply for that Obi-Wan/Anakin robed pose near the end alone, but it captures the emotions of the characters very well. The temple scene was rightly intense, with Palpatine's innocent yet secretly sinister presence being a standout. The story is interesting, so far, I am intrigued to see where it leads, and I love that you're using the 'What is a Jedi' angle. Can't wait to see what's next! I shall watch this series with great interest.

Andrew Edwards,  
Bournemouth, U.K.

Well, not much to say here other than thank you! Marco Checchetto is doing an unbelievable job with the art on this series, and there's still a lot of great stuff to come. I am really lucky to work with him, and I hope we can do something else together in the future.

Dear *Obi-Wan & Anakin* Team,

I have been reading the new Marvel Star Wars comics since they first debuted one year ago, and I have to say, this is one of the best. The art was so stunning and detailed that I went back through the book three times just to analyze every panel. And the writing brought me into the story in a way that very few comics do. Anakin's emotional struggles are a big part of his character, so to see his youthful innocence perfectly harmonized with his unstable anger was really engaging and exciting. Huge thanks to the writer, artist, editor, publisher, and everyone else involved in this truly wonderful comic. I can't wait for the next issue!

Tyler Bruso  
Bournemouth, U.K.

Me neither, and thank you for the kind words! That Anakin, eh? He's a real pistol, tell you what.

"Do or do not, there is no try."  
–Charles Soule